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Sent time: 11/06/2019 08:06:42 AM
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Subject: FW: Founders Park

Hi Lili,

See the email below from a Ladera Linda resident. The email was also sent to City Council et al. I've taken care of the LL park issues with work orders for Public Works. But, he has a lot of issues with Founders Park. I did respond to him stating that I would contact you since your crews are the maintenance leads.

Give a call to discuss when you have a chance. I will need to respond back to him again giving him an update on the repairs.

Hope all is well…THANKS, CORY

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Cory

Near conclusion of one of the Ladera Linda meetings in February, I mentioned to you that there were some safety issues at Founders Park with exposed wires, missing lights, and a damaged bench.

You did have corrections initiated. Of the nine (estimated) light bases most were protected by adding an above ground junction box and a solar light. The solution to the bench appears to be its permanent removal. But neither you nor your staff appear to be following up with routine maintenance inspections? Now that the park is 13 years old it should be expected to have regular maintenance needs.

Photos taken November 4, 2019

I wondered how long the plastic junction boxes would last for they might appear to some as a tempting soccer kick to dislodge or damage. At least one has been damaged and wires exposed for weeks now and if it is energized poses a real safety concern (and I am sure not in compliance with city code). I actually wonder if the original fix this spring met any code? Other boxes are loose and one might be missing with wires jammed down into the the base? The solution to the missing lights was to install solar powered individual lights (ala Home Depot contractor pack) with no secure attachment to the base. Those began to wander off almost immediately and by end of August all were gone. With many of the other lights showing a variety of slight to major vandalized damage, it might be appropriate to replace the entire system with a more vandal resistant design. You should definitely not consider a similar design for Ladera Linda.

As I advised earlier, the original park design was flawed. We have a park with amazing "breath-taking ocean views". However,

the park design was to place four park style benches facing away from the ocean. There were two of different design that were in the central portion of the park that did face the view. One was removed a long time ago. The other that I mentioned was beginning to corrode as well as had been vandalized. Now that is also gone. The result is a park with no seating (aside from the picnic tables) facing the view unless looking at the flag and Trump's club house is memorable to visitors.

I understand that you do not want to spend money on maintenance at Ladera Linda, but Founders Park would be a good place for you to make a periodic visit to insure that proper safety policies and maintenance is provided.

And speaking of Ladera Linda, there is a water leak at the SE corner of the parking lot. It has been there so long that the surface between the crack in the paving where water is flowing and the storm drain to the ocean is covered with a surface of moss/algae. It might even be a breeding ground for mosquitoes. I did call attention to the leak to two different staff members thinking they might do something to get the leak repaired. But they are not very responsive or a decision was made to not do a repair?

And speaking of mosquito breeding sites, please go to the lower field at Ladera Linda and walk to the SW corner between the backstop and the swale along the fence. That is typically a marsh in the planted area (a reason why grass does not grow so well there) and the standing water in the swale also has a moss/algae component. There is a somewhat similar area behind the office/multi-purpose room building that often has standing water. Both areas would likely be deemed mosquito habitat by LA County Vector Control.

Regards
Don Bell